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INFO AMEMBASSY AMMAN

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AMMAN FOR SECRETARY'S PARTY

E.O. 11652 GDS

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SUBJECT: FAISAL REPORTED UNCOMPROMISING ON JERUSALEM

1. DURING COURTESY CALL BY USINT OFFICER, SAUDI EMBASSY
POLITICAL OFFICER RAISED SUBJECT OF INTRACTABILITY OF KING
FAISAL'S VIEWS ON JERUSALEM. STRESSING THAT KING INTENDS
TO PRAY TO AQSA MOSQUE UNDER A JORDANIAN OR PALESTIAN
FLAG, HE CLAIMED PERSONAL KNOWLEDGE THAT KING WILL NOT, RPT NOT
ACCEPT ANY "OPEN CITY" PLAN UNLESS "EAST JERUSALEM" REVERTS
TO "DE JURE" ARAB JURISDICTION

2. ASKED IF DE FACTO ARAB ADMINISTRATION UNDER INTERNATIONAL
AUSPICES WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE, SAID DECLARED KING HAD SAID
IN FRONT OF HIM PERSONALLY, AND HAD REPEATED TO THE SAUDI
AMBASSADOR TO CAIRO WHEN HE WAS BRIEFED IN RIYADH AFTER
SECRETARY'S FIRST VISIT, THAT AN ARAB FLAG MUST FLY
ALONE OVER EAST JERUSALEM.

3. CITING HIS AMBASSADOR, SAUDI ADDED THAT KING HOPES
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HE HAS CONVINCED SECRETARY THAT HOLINESS AND NUMBER OF MUSLIM

AND CHRISTIAN SHRINES IN JERUSALEM GAVE ARAB CHRISTIANS
AND MUSLIMS THE MORAL RIGHT TO RUN THE CITY, IN ADDITION
TO THEIR LEGAL RIGHT TO RESTORATION OF TERRITORY TAKEN
FROM THEM BY FORCE.
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